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#### THE ACCEPTANCE.

President Harrison Formally Replies to his Notification.

THE PARTY POLITICS COMPARED.

The Democratic Financial and Tariff Principles Condemned—Himetallism and the Elections Hill—Risk of

Washington, Sept. 6.—Yesterday afternoon President Harrison, through Secretary Halford, gave out for publication his letter accepting the presiden-tial nomination on the republican ticket. The letter bears the date of September and is as follows:
 Hon. William McKinley, Jr., and Others, Com-

mittee, sic.:
Gentiemen—I now avail myself of the first
period of relief from public duties to respond to
the notification that you brought tome on June
EL of my nomination for the office of president
of the United States by the republican national
convention recently held at Minnespoils.

I soccept the nomination and am grateful for
the approval expressed by the convention of the
acts of the administration.

I have endeavored without wavering or weariness, so far as the direction of public affairs
was committed to me, to carry out the piedges

was committed to me, to carry out the piedges made to the people in 1888. If the policies of the administration have not been distinctly and progressively Americas and republican policies, the fault has not been in the purpose,

partments, for the credit of any successes that have been attained is due to others—senature and representatives—and not the efficient heads of the several executive departments. I may do so without impropriety. A rote of want of confidence is asked by our adversaries and this challenge to a review of what has been done we promptly and gladly accept.

The great work of the Fifty first congress has been subject to the certain of a democratic house of representatives and the acts of the executive department to its scrutiny and investigation. A democratic national administration was succeeded by a republican administration was succeeded by a frequisition was forced by a republican administration was succeeded by a frequisition was the first owners of the contract that the contract is the first owners of the democratic party involved such serious results to the husiness interests of the country. A brief review of what has been done and of what the democratic party involved such serious results by the sophion.

The republican party during the civil war, devised a national currency, consisting of United States notes, issued and redeemable by the government and national bank notes based up on the security of United States bonds. A tax was levided upon the sissues of state banks and the intented result, that all such issues should be withdrawn, was realized. There are men smoog us now who never saw a state bank and the intented result, that all such issues should be withdrawn, was realized. There are men smoog us now who never saw a state bank and the intented result, that all such issues should be withdrawn, was centised. There are men smoog us now who never saw a state bank note.

ent bank is as good and as current as a treasury hote-for the credit of the United States is behind it.

Our money is all national money—I might almost say international—for these bills are not only equally and findscriminately accepted at par in all the states, but in some foreign countries. The democratic party, if intrusted with the control of the government, is now piedged to repeal the tax on state bank issues with a view to putting into circulation again, under such diverse legislation as the state may accept a fised of local bank issues. Only those who in the years before the war experienced the inconvenience and losses attendant upon the uses of such money can appreciate what a return to that system involves.

The denomination of a bill was then often no indication of its value. The bank detector of yesterday was not a safe guide to-day as to creditor values. Merchants deposited several times during the day less the hour of bank closing should show a depreciation of the money taken in the money to the money taken in the money to the west, and in consequence a money chancer's office was the familiar sulphose of the thiet office was the familiar sulphose of the thiet office was the land of the money received for their products or their labor depreciated when they came to make their purchases, and the whole business of the country was hindered and burdened. Changes may become horeessay but a autional avisiem of currency, safe and acceptable throughout the wast the good fruit throughout the safe country, is the good fruit throughout the safe country, is the good fruit throughout the safe the country is the good fruit throughout the safe the country is the good fruit throughout the safe the safe the safe throughout the wast the safe throughout the wast the safe throug

annual tribute which we pay for freight and passage moneys. The great ships—the fastest upon the sea—which are now, in peace, profiting by our trade, are in a secondary sense, war ships of their respective governments, and in time of war would, under saisting contracts with those governments, specifity take on the guns for which their decks are already prepared and enter with terrifile efficiency upon the work of destroying our commerce.

The undisputed facts are that the great steamship lines of Europe are built up and are now in part sustained by direct or indirect government aid, the latter taking the form of liberal pay for carrying the mails or of an annual buttus given in consideration of agreements to construct ships so as to adapt them for earrying an armament and to turn them over to the government and to government and to government and to government of demand upon appealed terms

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over to the government on demand upon specified terms.

It was plain to every intelligent American that if the United States would have such lines a similar policy must be entered upon. The Fifty-first congress enacted such a law, and under its beneficent influence, sixteen American stranships at an aggregate tomage of 17,40 tons and conting \$7,40,000 have been built or contracted to be built in American shippards. In addition to this it is now practically certain that we shall soon have under the American flag one of the finess steamship lines salling out of Sew York for any European port. This contract will result in the construction in American yards of four new passenger steamships of 10,000 tons each costing about \$10,000,000 and will said to our naval reserve six steamships, the best upon the sea.

The Tariff.

passenger steamships of 10.00 tons each, cost ing about 18.000/00 and will add to our navar earre aix ateamships, the best upon the sea.

Mr. Harrison is satisfied with the results of the reciprocity movement, which he says has alarmed Europe with the fact that a new commercial contest and is in the field. He refers to the pressure brought to bear under it upon Germany and other countries to compet the rescinding of discriminating laws and duties. On the tariff he says:

The demoratic platform promises a repeal of the tariff law containing this provision and especially denounces as a sham the reciprocity section of the law under which these trade arrangement have been made. If no other issue were involved in the campaign this alone would give it importation. Are the farmers of the great grain growing states willing to surrender these mes. Large and increasing markets, for their surgines? Are we to have cothing in a change for the free importation of sugar and of the Pacific coast, or are we to have nothing in the surgic planters of the south and of the Pacific coast, or are we to lawn to the same time to desire, the surgir planters of the south and of the Pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the south and of the Pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the south and of the Pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the south and of the Pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the south and of the Pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the south and of the Pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the south and of the Pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the meritisent and the pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the meritisent and the pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the south and of the pacific coast, or are we to lawn to be a surgir planters of the meritisent as a shall be found to law and only there is a just demonstratio

trace would follow and I will not conserve use, what is so plain to them ean be withhold from our own people.

The declaration of the pistform in favor of "the American doctrine of protection" meets my most hearty approval. The convention did not along the action of the convention did not along the second of the convention did not be second of the convention of the capital invested in our arrest industries. The under a more correspond convention at the convention of the capital invested in our arrest industries. The under a more convention of the convention of the capital invested in our arrest industries. The under a more conventional convention of the capital invested in our arrest industries. The under a more conventional convention of the capital invested in our arrest industries. The underly party has now practical industries. The underly party has capital capital invested in our arrest industries. The underly party has clause "That when custom human taxation is levied upon articles of any kind produced in this country, the difference between the cost of labor here and abroad, when such difference entering upon our farmers and working one."

Here we have a distinct admission of the republican contention that American workmen are advantaged by a tariff rate equal to the difference between home and foreign wages, and a declaration only against the alloged additional "impositions" of the existing tariff has.

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difference between home and foreign wages, and a declaration only against the alleged additional "impositions" of the existing tariff law.

Again, this impority report further declared: "But in making a reduction in taxes it is not proposed to injure any domestic indistries, but rather to promote their healthy growth. \* \* Moreover many industries have come to rely upon legislation for successful continuance, so that any change of law must at every step he regarding of the labor and capital than involved." Here we have an admission that many of our industries depend upon profective duties. "for their successful continuance," and a declaration that tariff changes should be regardful of the workmen in such industries und of the invested capital. The overs helming rejection of them propositions, which had before received the sanction of democratic uniform convections was not more indicative of the new and more conragrency leadership to which the party has now committed itself thus the substitute which was adopted. This substitute declares that protection, low protection—all unconstitutional. A democratic congress holding: this view cannut emart, nor a democratic pre-ident approve, any tariff schedule, the purpose or effect of which is to limit importations or to give any advantage to our American workman or producer. A bounty might, I judge, be given to the importers under this view of the described in the revenue, for "revenue only," is the limitation.

Helipporties of course, falls under this demundation for its objects are not revenue, to whether was destructive, and American doctrine was

promotion of commercia, extranges, no product of which go wholly to our producers.

This destructive, un American doctrine was not beld or thought by the historic democratic stairsmen whose fame as American patriots has reached this generation certainly not by deficration or Jackson. This mad crucade against American shops, the brutal against American shops, the brutal against American shops, the brutal epithets applied to American manufacturers, the persistent dishelled of every report of the opening of a tip plate mill or an increase of our foreign trade by reciprofity, are as surprising as they are discreditable. There is not a thoughtful business man in the country who does not know that the ensemble into a law of the declaration of the Chicago convention on the subject of the fariff would at once plungs the country into a boatness convulsion and there is not a thoughtful continguish and there is not a thoughtful confinences who does not know that it would enormously reduce

will not be executed after the tennocratic party assumes party, what shall be thought of a party that is capable of thus trilling with great interests? The threat of such registration would not be the shirtful than the fact.

A distinguished democrat rightfully described this position as a challenge to the protected industries to a fight of extermination, and another such rightly expressed the logic of the situation when he interpreted the Chicago platform to be an invitation to all feminerats holding even the most moderate protection views to go into the recentifician narry. to the republican party.

The effects of the McKinley law are

claimed to have brought several indus-tries to this country, as tin plate, pearl button and plush works—Mr. Harrison

The tariff law has given employment to many thousands of American uses and women and white each year give employment in increasing thousands. Its repeat would thrus thousands out of employment and give wick to others only at reduced water. The appeals of the free trader to the workingman are likely addressed to his prepatites or he pseudons and not infre-

The one essential condition is that these un-ters shall have and return an equal acceptabil-ity and value in all compercial fransactions. They are not only a noticum of exchange, but a measure of value; and when mengual measures are called in law by the same commerce is un-settled and confused and the unsary and ignor-nature cheated. Dollars of unequal commer-ral value with not circulate beseither. The antare cheated. Dollars of unequal commer-ial value will not circulate together. The better dollar is withdrawn and becomes merchandise. The true interest of all our people and especially of the farmers and working people, who cannot closely observe the money market is that every dollar, paper or coin bassed or asistenized by the government shall at all times and is all its uses, be the exact equivalent, not only in eith paying, but in pur-chasing power, of any other dollar. I am quite aure that if we should now act upon this sub-ject, independently of other mations, we would greatly promote their interests and injure our own.

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The impetary conditions in Europe within the last two years have. I think, tended very much to develop a chilment in favor of a larger use of silver, and I was much pleased and encouraged by the cardiality, promptness and unanimity with which the invitation of this government for an international conference upon the subject was accepted by all the powers. We may not only hope for, but expect highly beneficial remains from this conference which will now suon assemble. When the result of the conference is known, we shall then be able, infolligently, to readjust our financial legislation to any new conditions.

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They see very clearly that restriction of a majority of the people of this we seem to have an injurity of the people of this we seem to have an injurity of the people of this we seem to have an injurity of the people of this we seem to have an injurity of the people of this we seem to have an injurity of the people of this we seem to have an injurity of the people of the people of the seem to have an injurity of the people of the seem to have an injurity of the people of the seem to have an injurity of the people of the seem to have an injurity of the people of the seem to have an injurity of the people of the seem to have a singurantee in the way are sets that the people of the people of the seem to have a majority of the people o

and nems.

This content was between white democrata. The Kulb party say they were refused the rep is sentation guaranteed by law upon the election towards, and that, when the courts by manchanus alternated neighbor the wrong, an appeal that could not be he heard until after the election made the write inefectual. Ballot buxes were thrown out for alleged trogslar tiles or destroyed, and it is asserted on behalf of one half, at least, of the white voters of Alabama that the officers to whom certificates have been given were not housestly elected.

There is no security for personal political rights. The power of the states over the question of the qualification of electrons is ample to protect them against the dangers of an ignorant or deprayed sufficient and the demond that every man found to be qualified under the law shall be made accurst in the right ocast a free hallot and to have that ballot housestly counted, caused be aboved. Our old republican battle cey. "A free ballot and free count' comes beek to us not only from Alabama but from other states and from met who, differing with us whely in opinions, have copic to see where parties and political debate is ended the judgment of housest majorities is ended the judgment of housest majorities to be reversed by ballot box frauds and tall all one majorities in the major and promise is ended the judgment of housest majorities to

The president pays a tribute to the public school system, agriculture and the Nicaragua ship canal. Discrimination is needed in immigration. foreign policy of the government has been remarkably successful and Mr. Egan has had his entire confidence. The concluding paragraphs of the president's letter of acceptance are as fol-

ident's letter of acceptance are as follows:

The sceneral condition of our country is one of great prinsprity. The blessing of God has resired upon our fields and upon our people. The annual value of our foreign commerce has increased more than \$100,000,000 over the average for the preceding ten years and mere than \$12,000,000 diver \$10,000 diver \$1

The semocratic party orders a programme of demolition. The protective policy—to which all business, even that of the importer, is now adjusted—the reciplocity policy the new mor-chant marine, are all to be demolished—not gradually, not taken down, but thosen up. To this programme of destruction it has added one constructive feature—the re-establishment of state lanks of leave.

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The policy of the republican party is, on the other band, distinctively a policy of safe progression and development—of new factories, new mortiers and new ships. It still subject histiness to no perfloss changes, but affect at ractive opportunities for expectation upon the last of the progression of the progression.

D. M. Bender has been nominated for

representative by the republicans of Parsons, Kan William Scrubly, for representative, heads the republican ticket in Livingston county, Mo.

Saturday the republicans of Franklin county, Kan, nominated a county lichet headed by John Dyer for representative. In Ozark county, Mo., the people's party has put a full ticket in the field headed by P. P. Dabesy, for representa-

B. A. Seaver of Highland, Kan., has been nominated as the democratic and people's party candidate for state sen-

The people's party of Caldwell coun-y, Mo., has nominated a full county sentative.

P. A Collins, of Boston, who has recently returned from Europe, at Gray

The republicans of Smith county, Kan, have nominated a full county ticket, headed by E. Sessions for representative.

The republicans of St. Joseph, Mo., indersed the people's party candidate for judge and named S. P. Kelly and David E. Marshall for representatives. Several places were not filled.

BEFORE AND AFTER.

Three July sports and Their Fishing Re-They were a jolly three who had worked all winter long, and now their vacation was near. They were to have a week off up in the lakes of Wisconsin. They gathered about a work table and on the back of a piece of sand paper they wrote down what they expected to

catch. Here it is as they wrote it:

Five pickerel. Fifty rock bass. Fifty sun fish.

One whale.

Two sea cowa. One sea serpent Well they went, enjoyed themselves hugely and a week later came home.
"Where's that whale?" asked an agquaintance.

But no reply came "Show me those two sea cows," re-

marked another.

"yelled a third; "where's that
serpent?"

Then they weakened. Gathering
about the same table they took another piece of sand paper and wrote: "Four perch." It was tacked on the wall and hangs there yet—a sad memorial.— Chicago Globe.

A Real Case of Stapidity. Hostetter McGinnis--How do you like Miss Jones? In my opinion she is not only handsome, but very intelligent Gus De Smith—I agree with you as far as her looks are concerned, but she

#### JACK M'AULIFFE.

The Easterner Wins the First Bout at New Orleans.

MYER TAKES FIFTEEN ROUNDS.

Then He Takes a Glass of Wine From the nuries in the Hing-The Weight of the Gloves, Etc.

the series of prize fights took place in the amphi-theater of the Olympic club club last night in this city and was won by McAuliffe in fifteen rounds.

About 6,500 persons were present. Myer and McAuliffe weighed at 8:45, the former at 13734 pounds, McAuliffe at 197%. Capt. Bar-rett arranged the scales upon which the gloves were weighed and find-ing them according to law-full five ounces nodded his assent to the press representatives that the gloves would do.
 Jack McAuliffe was the first to enter

the ring, which he did at 9:15. Myer the ring, which he did at 9.18. Myer came a moment later. Both men received great ovations. Knowledge of the fact that a puglistic gradge of long standing was about to be settled awakened tremendous applause.

The men jumped to the center of the ring, McAuliffe looking pale and Myer rate. Was led for

rosy. Mac led for the stomach, slipped and fell. When he regained his feet Myer landed a light left and Jack smiled. Both men were ex-tremely cautious, eautious, McAuliffe though though McAusire was the aggressor.
The latter stepped in and delivered a neat left hander on the nose and got away without a re-

turn. Myer was nurry synn forced to a stake, but danced out of harm's way, came up the scratch again and took part in a clinch in the middle of the ring. Every move by the men was heartily cheered, and Myer, missing a left hand lead, fell in on his missing a loft hand lead, fell in on his opponent and was clinched. It was a pretty round and the men were sent to their corner, not a bit the worse for it. Round 2-McAniffe landed a heavy right himself. There was warm work in the center of the ring, with Myre on the defensive. McAniffe feinfed with his left, landed his right and was cross countered. The men clinched, and, upon breaking away, Myre landed a right handed hither the mose. McAniffe knocked Myre down with a heavy right on the eye and upon getting up the mose clinched, though Myre was grongly from the blow Just as the round ended Myre was nearly feared with a heavy right and left on the fact the game, for he was fighting a fast and furious hattle.

Bound 3-McAniffe landed his right and Myre disched and

Reund 3-McAuilife landed his right and Myer clinched around the hip. Myer received a news test hand swing on the bead, and came near failing. McAuilife next landed a heavy left on Myer's nose, and in a clinch Myer hit hif oppoint several times. Both men were new weak from their tremendous exertions, though McAuilife seemed the stronger of the two. The latter landed several left handed stomach punches, and Myer diached after receiving a right on the jaw. Myer was seemingly very wesk, though his wonderful recuperative powers enabled him to mish a reasonable defense. This was McAuilife's round, and as Myer sat to his corner for his minute's rest be was plainly is distress.

Round 8-This round began with a hug. Myer

Round 8-This round began with a long Round 8—This round began with a long. Myer appeared to want to be the aggressor for he landed a heavy punch on the head and repeated the blow with his right. A great deal of clinching was done to this round. First blood was claimed and allowed for MoAuiffe, the raby coming from Myer's right eye. He was brave, however, and McAuiffe was half knocked down and half felt from a clinch. The men were desperativly angry and now a fearful slugging match took place. Both were very weak and Myer's ater was wasteady going to his corner for his minute's reat.

was unsteady going to his corner for his min-ute's rest.

Hound 9.—Another his opened the round, but the men broke away fairly. Great ecolores characterized the contest. Meabille was still the nagressor. Mac narrowly missed a right too the point of the jaw and nearly knocked Myer down with a right hand swing. Myer fell on the ropes from right and left handers on the head. The west-erner looked beaten now and nearly full from one of his misses. He was very tired and wont to his sorner. This round favored Mcaliffe, though Myer's friends attill pinned their faith on his recuperative powers.

to his sorner. This round favored McAshife, though Myer's Friends attil pinned their faith on his recuperative powers.

Hound 15-The opening of this round was characterized by several awkward attempts on the part of both men, and the audience cheered when Myer was knocked down with a heavy right McAoliffe knocked bin down again as he got up. This time he lay helpless on the ropes until he was counted out. It was a heavy right hand awing that did the trick, and McAuliffe was borne triumphantly on his second's shoulders to his corner. The Williamsburger was made the recipient of hearty appliance, not withstanding the fact that New Cricans was known as a Myer city. The Williamsburge er's accords opened champagne in his corner, which were accepted, and a hearty handshake words up the greatest battle recorded in the lightweight class since the days of Billy Edwards, llarney Aaron and Sam Colyce.

liabe, the big elephant in the Ring ling Bros.' circus, went on a tear at Frankfort, Ind. The animal had been taken with eramps and was given a gallon of whisky, which started the excitement. Several persons had narrow escapes.

All of the people's party incumbents of county offices in Republic county, Kan., were renominated Saturday and an anti-fusion platform was adopted. J. W. Wiles is the candidate for representative.

Millie, aged 7 years, daughter of W. J. Vaughn, superintendent of the Car-rollton (Mo.) Planing Mill Co., died from the effects of burns. She mistook gas-oline for water and threw it on a fire to put out some.

The commissioners of Harper county, Kan., have at last funded the debt of \$110,000 fraudulently contracted in 1873.

-Col. Hodgetts, wno men recently Canada at a patriarchal age, was the last survivor of the Mahratta war of 1817-'18. He was probably the oldest officer in the British service, for, after only handsome, but very intelligent
Gus De Smith—I agree with you as
far as her looks are concerned, but she
is not intelligent. I've been courting
her for the past six months, and I don't
think from the way she acts that she
has found it out yet—Texas Siftings

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—"Lows is blind," but isolows sees officer of pensioners at London in that

He Bought His Sweetheart a Rahy's Basket. Not Knowing What It Was.
They had been engaged for three days, and she was going abroad. The consequence of this edimbination, together with the fact that he was not an experienced flance, made him long as he accompanied her on her last shopping expedition to buy her all sorts of gifts. Gloves and handkerchiefs ho had purchased recklessly and dainty silver attick-pins. But his desire to deluge her with tokens of affection was not yet satisfied. In one store she bade him wait while she went into another department—a mysterious region other department—a mysterious region which she called the linen department—from which he was excluded. He waited patiently for awhile and then was seized with the brilliant idea that this would be an excellent opportunity to buy her another gift—one entirely of the own department. his own chocsing. He wandered about looking critically at various things, and finally he saw something which looked so delicately feminine and dainlooked so delicately feminine and dain-ty that he determined to get it. He had not a clear idea of its use, but thought it was a sort of sublimated work-basket, for it was a round, low hamper, lined with puffs of rose-colored slik under white tulle and fitted with incomprehensible little pads and pock-ets. So he bought it from a wondering saleswoman and ordered it sent to his lady's address. Then he waited in much satisfaction. much satisfaction.

By and by she came from the un-known regions of the linen department,

with gracious apologies for her delay.
He could not keep his secret.

"Oh, don't mention it," he said, airily, referring to his waiting. "It gave ms an opportunity to get you something."

"Thank you, dear," she said, dimpling with pleasure, but with a slight surgestion of anyiery in her ever

suggestion of anxiety in her eyes.
"What did you get this time, you ex-travagant boy?"

He pointed with his cane to the assortment of pretty babies' basicets and said in an airy manner that his present was one of those. "By the way," he added, not marking

"By the way," he added, not marking the curious expression of his lady's eyes, "what are they—workbaskets or some sort of toilet thing?"

The angelic girl, who was by this time the observed of all the shop girls, said sweetly that they were for holding toilet odds and ends, and that he was a dear to get one, but that he mustr't be surprised not to see it again, for, of course, it would not appear beyond her dressing-room. And as they left the

dressing-room. And as they left the store the blind young man said: "By the way, Dorothy, ild. it strike you that those shop girls stared at us a little? Isn't it common for a man to ac-company his flance shopping?"

And Dorothy smilingly answered that

it was not very common, but that she thought it was a charming practice.—N. Y. World.

LONDON IN THE PAST.

Reginnings of the Greatest City in the World's History. When the Romans first sailed up the Thames they found along the northern side almost continuous marshes with no fresh spring water, and with no convenient access to the higher land beyond. Arriving at a point beyond which the river, owing to its numerous branches, became shallow, fordable branches, became shallow, fordable indeed at Westminster, so that seagoing ships would be immediately obstructed, all this changed. Here was a bold projecting hill of clay, with gravel and brick earth abounding on the sarface. This binff headland was divided by the valley of the Walbrook into two chief elevations; and on one of these chief elevations; the felevations: and on one of these the Roman fort was built, between the Walbrook and the little port of Bill-ingsgate. The gravelly deposit on the clay extended northward up the valley of the Lea, and formed a sound, well-drained foundation for the lower way to York and Lincoln. On this gross of to York and Lincoln. On this crust of sand and gravel there was, even in the citadel itself, a portion of brick earth, so that the materials for forts and walls were easily procured; the brick earth, sand and gravel on the spot, the lima along the river, and the rag stone from new quarries on the Medway, in direct

communication with the Thames.

But, besides, the gravel beds were a collecting ground for water, which sank down on to the underlying clay, and then run out abundantly in springs and wells and streams. The place was a great spring field. Walbrook, the Langbourne, Skinner's Well, Holywell, and Clerkenwell. Lambs Conduit, and White Conduit, indicate a few of the many springs and water courses that arose and ran, at first on pebbly beds, and then on clay, down to the Thames. The hill itself continued northward by the ridge of Pentonville, across the "Stonyfield" of Islington, affording a hard road for local traffic, up to the Highgate range beyond. And thus, by its peculiar advantages of situation, and of earth and water, this small hill became the nucleus of the greatest city in the history of the world

London, to employ at once its later name, being at the head of the marine navigation of the largest river in the island, became the chief emporium for inland trade. It could be well protect-ed, since, on every side but one, it was surrounded by deep water or by marsh; and, to the north, the moor for half the year would scarcely have been passable. save near the edge of some convenient slope for drainage. Eventually Maiden Lane, the way on the "great hill." along the watershed, between the Valley of the Ficet and the much wider Valley of the lea, became the King's "high," clevated "way," the great up-per road, all undefined and open to the north.-Quarterly Review.

-Their Pride is Chastened.-Wick-wire-"It is a wonder to me that college professors are so unassuming as a class when I consider how they are looked up to by their students." Prof. Potterby—"You forget how we are looked down upon by the graduates on mmencement day.

-Mr. Jones-"My boy has begun to take music lessons." Mr. Brown-"What's be taking music lessons for?" Mr. Jones-"For a dollar and a half an hour, mostly. At least, I can't discover anything else in it."

-The European rat is found all over the world. In hot or cold climates it dourishes; and wherever man has gone, it has gone, and often secured a where man found it difficult or

very unpleasant to live. Still Young. Mamma-What did you do with that

ambrella I bought you? Small Son-I lent it to a little boy. "Hum! Do you think he will bring 4

"Oh, yes'm. He isn't old enough to know enough to keep it."-Good News